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1. VIET CONG RADIO ON AUGUST 21 CARRIED AUGUST 15 COMMUNIQUE OF VC MILITARY COMMAND IN SAIGON- GIA DINH AREA WHCH IS STRONGEST AND MOST MILITANT VC STATEMENT ON CONSTITUTENT ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS RELEASED TO DATE (BIS SAIGON S220324).

2. COMMUNIQUE URGED AND WARNED:

A. CANDIDATES TO WITHDRAW THEIR NAMES IMMEDIATELY,
B. GVN PERSONNEL AND CIVIL SERVANTS MUST CEASE ADVERTISING ELECTIONS IMMEDIATELY,
C. LIVES OF CANDIDATES AND THOSE WHO ASSIST GVN IN "COERCING" PEOPLE TO VOTE WILL NOT BE "INSURED."

3. COMMUNIQUE ONCE AGAIN URGED BOYCOTT, IMPLORING PEOPLE NOT TO GO TO VOTING BOOTHS ON ELECTION DAY, AND PROMISED THAT ALL LEVELS OF VC MILITARY "IN THE CITY" (SAIGON) WILL PROTECT PEOPLE FROM "COERCION" AND "PUNISH WITHOUT MERCY WICKED HENCHMENT" OF U.S. AND GVN.

4. COMMENT:BROADCAST MAKES IT CLEAR THAT VC INTEND TO USE FULLY THEIR TRADITIONAL METHODS OF TERROR AND INTIMIDATION TO DISRUPT ELECTIONS. RISE IN VC EFFORTS IN COUNTERING ELECTIONS CAN ALSO BE INTERPRETED AS INDICATION OF GREATER SIGNIFICANCE VC ARE NOW ATTACHING TO THEM. WE CAN EXPECT SIMILAR VIRULENT BROADCASTS FROM NOW UNTIL SEPT 11. LODGE
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